GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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USE OF PRIVATE SECURITY GUARDS TO CHECK TERRORISM
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to increase the participation of Private Security Guards to check the activities of terrorists in the country;

(b) if so, the facts and the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to provide training to such private security guards in the country; and

(d) if so, the details in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS(SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a) to (b): Although 'Law & Order' is a State subject as per the VII Schedule to the Constitution of India, the Central Government has enacted the Private Security Agencies (Regulation) Act, 2005 with a view to assist the States in regulating the activities of private security agencies functioning in various States. These private security agencies may play a role in assisting the security forces in dealing with terrorists.

(c): No, Sir.

(d): In view of (c) above, question does not arise.